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MANAGEMENT, INDO-PACIFIC TUNA AND THE IOFC COMMITTEE
ON MANAGEMENT OF INDIAN OCEAN TUNA, MANILA, MARCH 3-4, 1978

1. MEETING ATTENDED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF 10 MEMBER
COUNTRIES, AND CHAIRED BY T. B. CURTIN OF AUSTRALIA.

2. COMMITTEE REVIEWED REPORTS ON STATUS OF TUNA STOCKS.
SKIPJACK STOCKS IN CENTRAL AND WESTERN PACIFIC APPEAR TO BE
UNDER-EXPLOITED. ANALYSIS OF LONGLINE DATA SUGGESTS FOLLOWING
RESOURCES AT OR BEYOND MAXIMUM PRODUCTION LEVELS:

(A) YELLOWFIN TUNA IN INDIAN OCEAN AND CENTRAL AND
WESTERN PACIFIC

(B) BIGEYE TUNA IN PACIFIC

(C) ALBACORE STOCKS IN NORTH AND SOUTH PACIFIC

(D) SOUTHERN BLUE FIN TUNA

3. ADEQUATE INFORMATION NOT AVAILABLE FOR COMMITTEE TO
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DISCUSS AND EVALUATE MANAGEMENT MEASURES THAT MIGHT BE
CONSIDERED FOR RECOMMENDATION TO MEMBER COUNTRIES. THERE-
FORE PRINCIPAL RECOMMENDATION OF MEETING THAT FAO APPOINT
TUNA MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST TO INITIATE COLLECTION OF
TUNA DATA AND TO FORMULATE OPTIONS FOR SHORT AND LONG
TERM MANAGEMENT OF HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES.

4. COMMITTEE NOTED POOR RESPONSE TO QUESTIONNAIRE SENT TO MEMBER COUNTRIES ON TRUST FUND TO OPERATE IOFC/IPFC TUNA MANAGEMENT PROGRAM. USA AMONG NON-RESPONDENTS.

5. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED THAT NEXT JOINT MEETING BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH 6TH SESSION OF IOFC SCHEDULED TO BE HELD PERTH, AUSTRALIA, AUGUST 1979 OR EARLIER DATE IF CONDITIONS DICTATE.
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